Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity based on specific tasks, knowledge, and skills acquired through their nationally regulated educational processes; and,

Whereas, Athletic trainers provide prevention of injuries, recognition, evaluation and aggressive treatment, rehabilitation, health care administration, education, and guidance; and,

Whereas, There are 158 members of the South Dakota Trainers' Association who are employed or associated with professional sports, colleges and universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, corporate and industrial settings, and military branches; and,

Whereas, Leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have joined together in a common desire to raise public awareness of the importance of the athletic training profession and to emphasize the importance of quality health care within the aforementioned settings; and,

Whereas, Such an effort will improve health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity and promote athletic trainers as health professionals:

Now, Therefore, I Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 2014 as

ATHLETIC TRAINING MONTH

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Nineteenth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State